



CITY OF LODI

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

AGENDA TITLE: Basketball Court Construction

MEETING DATE: June 18, 1997

PREPARED BY: Parks and Recreation Director

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That City Council approve the construction of one basketball court at Legion Park.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: The Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan, developed by city staff and public input, calls for the construction of a basketball court at Legion Park (Exhibits A and B). This plan was adopted by City Council in January 1994 and staff is moving forward in completing its recommendations.

Existing and soon to be constructed basketball courts (Exhibit C) in our parks system include: Century Park (1 court); Blakely Park (2 half courts); Hale Park (1 court); Hutchins Street Square (2 courts); Peterson Park (1 court); Van Buskirk (½ court). Future basketball installations include: Bridgetowne Development (1 court); Roget Park (1 court); DeBenedetti Park (2 courts); Richards Ranch (1 court). Additional courts could be installed in the parks system as the need arises. Exhibit D shows basketball courts located on school grounds.

FUNDING: \$30,000 - 1997/98 Capital Improvement Funds

Ron Williamson, Parks and Recreation Director

APPROVED: _____

H. DIXON FLYNN
City Manager



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the basin be dug to a lower level creating a greater slope for drainage. This approach will help to drain the fields more quickly and also create more storm water retention.

The current restroom building receives considerable vandalism. Part of this problem is caused by its poor location and part can be attributed to the design of the building itself. To offset this problem, the city should consider a single occupancy type of restroom building with a location closer to the street. Other minor improvements recommended for this site include:

- Develop an area for passive recreation use such as picnic facilities, seating areas, tables, etc.
- Install a new backstop on the northeast diamond
- Construct a paved and lighted pathway around the edge of the park
- Upgrade the irrigation system
- Add/replace trees
- Install new park signs

American Legion Park

Site N-11

6.0 Acres

This site is located at the corner of Hutchins and Vine Streets and is one of the few parks in the City that is oriented primarily towards passive recreational use. This park has several operational problems. One is that the playground equipment is quite old and spread out over a large area. A second problem is that there is no off-street parking. Under normal conditions, on-street parking is adequate but when the recreation building is used, some choose to use the walkway as a vehicle access and park adjacent to the building.

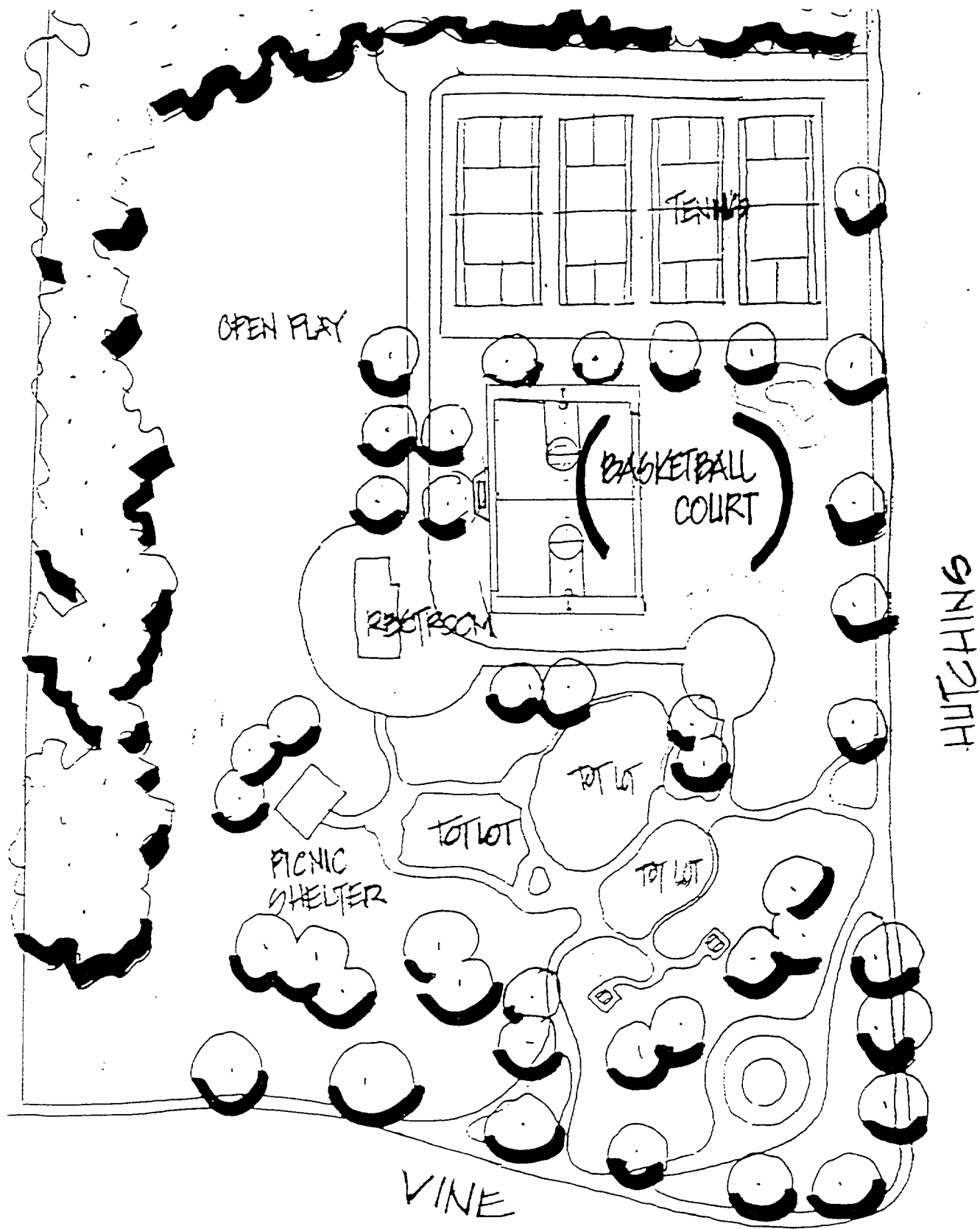
Because of these problems and the need for a basketball court in the area, the city should first develop a master plan for the site. From an operational view, the playground equipment should be replaced and condensed into a smaller area. Because of the existing walls, berms and other features, a very interesting playground could be achieved.

Some off-street parking and a basketball court should be provided but their exact location will take some study. While there has been some discussion to expand the recreation building, this is not recommended. In fact, this space might not be needed when a new indoor recreation building is developed in another location. Other improvements should include:

- Consolidate and replace playground equipment
- Construct a lighted basketball court
- Resurface tennis courts
- Upgrade the irrigation system
- Add off-street parking (12-15 spaces)

Exhibit A





**LEGION
PARK**



Exhibit B

CITY OF LODI FACILITY LOCATIONS BASKETBALL COURTS (6 1/2)

PARKS

1. Lodi Lake Park & Nature Area
2. Peterson Park
3. Candy Cane Park
4. Van Buskirk Park
5. Softball Complex
6. Armory Park
7. Grape Bowl Stadium
8. Zupo Field
9. Lawrence Park
10. Emerson park
11. Hale Park
12. Henry Graves Park
13. Hutchins Street Square
14. Maple Square
15. Vinewood Park
16. Legion Park
17. Blakely Park
18. Pixley Park
19. Kofu Park
20. DeBenedetti Park
21. Beckman Park
22. English Oaks Commons
23. Century Park
24. Salas Park
25. Roget Park
26. Bridgetown Park
27. Richards Ranch Park

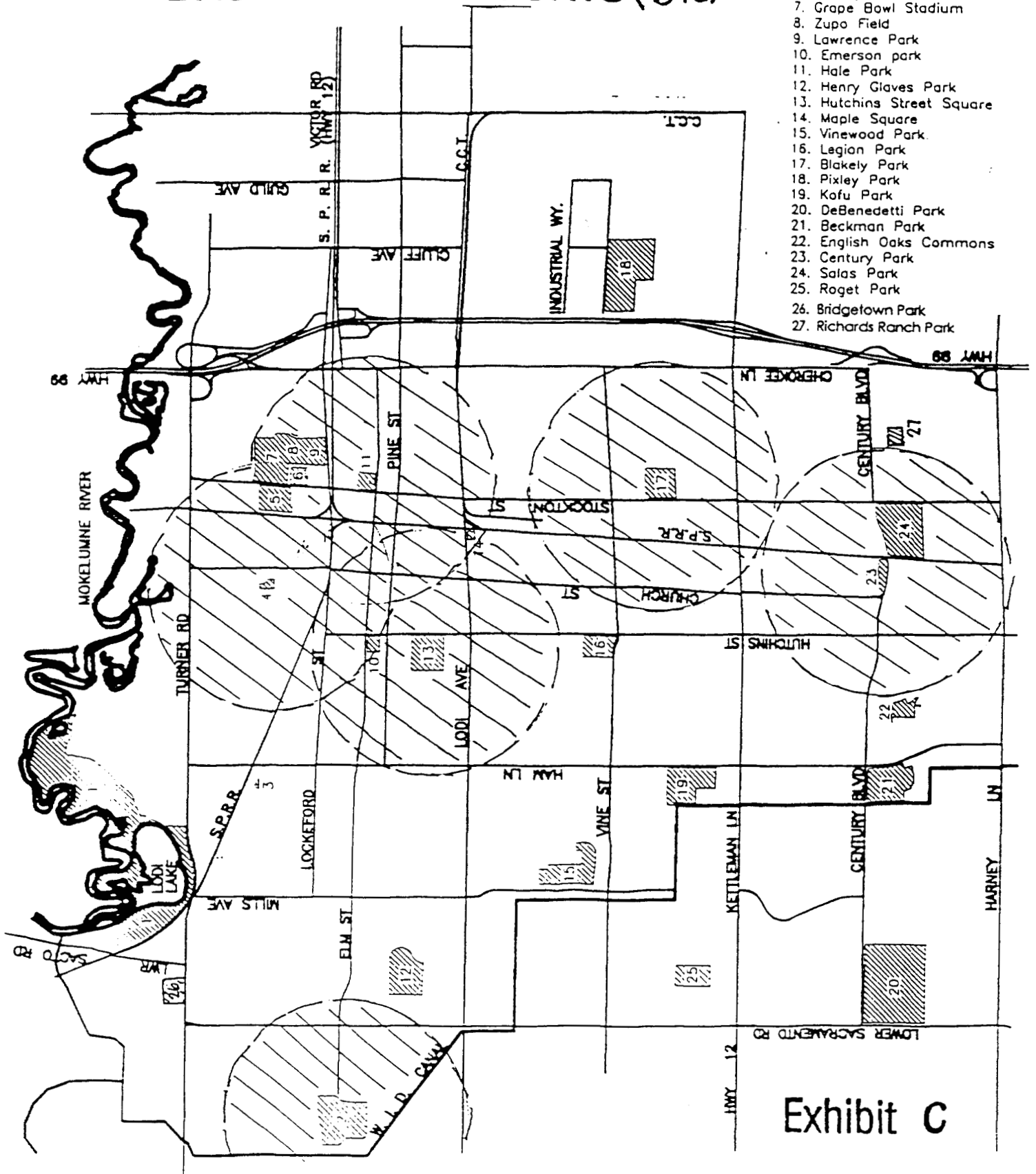


Exhibit C

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Lodi City Council

FROM: Mayor Phillip Pennino

SUBJECT: Call From Citizen Regarding Agenda Item H-2

I received a telephone call from Charles Cunningham, 830 S. Hutchins Street, voicing his favor of the installation of the basketball hoop. He has talked with numerous friends who also voiced their approval.

Copy Received
dist. 7/7/97

Dear Mayor Pennino

this is the last of the
list of people around
Legion Park. I told you
I would get it for you
good luck and I know
how hard it is to please
People after 30 years
for Sam Joquin Es,

your friend

Jack Loftis
609 Windsor Dr
3694520

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JOHN H. PERKIN
CITY CLERK
JUN 29 1997

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620 W. Lane

MAYOR PENNINO:

I, *James S. Pennino*, do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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I, 841 201. Calif St Lodi
W. J. Pennino, do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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853 So Calif. St.

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I, ESTER & PAUL PETSEUCH Lodi ^{536 ST. CLAIRE DR.}, do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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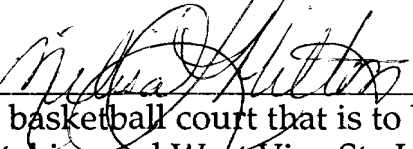
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I, Alice T. Inoshita *V/M & Hutchins*, do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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I, Jana Cobus ^{824 Hutchins}, do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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I, Henry E. Wright *858 S. Cal. St*, do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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545 W. Vine St Lodi Ca.
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I, Gena Turner, *South California*, do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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*Does Mr. Mann want the court cement in a purple color
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832 S. Hutchins St.
I, Elda Gomwell, do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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I, Esther Bender
840 So. Hutchins St., do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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I, Dan Pichini 542 St. CLAIRES DR Lodi, Ca. 95240, do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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I, Mr + Mrs. Richard Newman ^{8165 California St.} do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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I, *Kevin Bitterman* ^{*S. Coley*}, do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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MAYOR PENNINO: 3694520

I, Mr & Mrs Jack Lofgren 609 Windsor, do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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I ~~Mayor~~ *Mrs. Erwin Kall*, do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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Bishop Robert & Janet Mattheis
800 So. Hutchins (directly across
from the proposed court)
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MAYOR PENNINO:

I, Janet Mattheis, do hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi). X

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* I do not object if it could be built so. of the courts but back from the street so it could have landscaping etc so as to maintain

the green & attractive nature of the park. Also if there were an ave. curb.

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MAYOR PENNINO:

601 Windsor Dr.

I, Mr. & Mrs. Randall Belforte hereby voice my objection to the basketball court that is to be constructed at Legion Park (corner Hutchins and West Vine St., Lodi).

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Herbert Martell 516 W. Vine St Lodi

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Charles D. Pennino
MAYOR PENNINO:

600 Windsor Dr Lodi

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